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1. AGATT RECEIVED TODAY LETTER FROM DIRECTOR OF SENPA
(NATIONAL FARM COMMODITY SERVICE) PROVIDING MINAG ESTIMATES
OF FEED GRAIN IMPORT NEEDS BY SEMESTERS FOR 1974 AND 1975.
ESTIMATES FOLLOW IN MILLION METRIC TONS FOR TOTAL FEED
GRAIN IMPORTS:

1974- JANUARY-JUNE (ACTUAL)... 2.68

JULY-DECEMBER (PARTIALLY ESTIM.) 1.94

1975-JANUARY-JUNE (PROJECTED)...1.65

JULY-DECEMBER (PROJECTED)...1.40

2. WE BELIEVE THESE TO BE REASONABLE PROJECTIONS FOR
IMPORT NEEDS IN 1975 AND CONSIDERABLY ABOVE TWO MILLION
TON FIGURE CITED NOTE VERBALE 600 (REFTEL A & B). PRO-
JECTION OF 1.65 MILLION TONS FOR JANUARY-JUNE 1975 HAS
BEEN INCREASED FROM 1.2 MILLION FIGURE GIVEN ASST SECT.
YEUTTER (REFTEL C) DUE TO DROUGHT. GOOD RAINS FINALLY
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ARRIVED MANY AREAS OVER WEEKEND BUT TOO LATE FOR FALL

PASTURE GROWTH.

3. SENPA PROJECTS SOYBEAN IMPORTS AT 1.55 MILLION TONS IN 1975 PLUS 275,000 TONS OF SOYBEAN MEAL. THESE FIGURES APPEAR ON HIGH SIDE ALTHOUGH CRUSINGS WILL LIKELY BE MAINTAINED AT HIGH LEVEL TO MEET INCREASING OIL NEEDS. ACTUAL IMPORTS DURING OCTOBER-SEPTEMBER 1973/74 WERE 1.36 MILLION TONS SOYBEANS AND 300,000 TONS SOYBEAN MEAL.

4. SENPA LETTER WILL BE POUCHED TO DAVID HUME/FAS, USDA. RIVERO

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